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A NEW DISCOVERY!

Spiritualism Explained.

The question of questions, with the learned and unlearned, the materialist, scientist, religionists, and in fact everybody, is "What is Modern Spiritualism?" Is it a verity or is it all a humbug? Can it be explained from a physiological standpoint and does it come under the head of Physics, or does it come from supernatural causes and without laws or order. That the phenomena exists, is beyond dispute, whether it will ever be explained remains to be seen. That some spirits can be seen, handled and made use of to a good advantage as well as explained is also a fact to which all druggists and chemists can testify. They need not be named, because their name is legion. We refer principally to those medicines through which spirits figure largely as restorative agencies. Saur's Drug and Medicine Depot harbors a large number of healing spirits which can be purchased for a very small sum of money and if used according to directions will be the means of relieving pain and restoring the health of the afflicted. This same drug store has many other things in which it seeks to make itself useful and to benefit mankind. The book department furnishes the provisions upon which hundreds of brains are fed and are thus kept alive and active. The large stock of elegant patterns of wall and window paper is another medicine by which many homes is made warm and comfortable. Then, too, comes the many different colored paints which are not only a great preservative agency, but add to the beautiful as well, tons of which is sold annually and which gives employment to thousands of people. This is a branch of business in which this house also figures largely. Saur's Drug and Book store seems to be the depot or store house in which everything is kept which can be found in any drug and book house, at prices which everybody will acknowledge to be very low.

On Trial for Murder!

State of Ohio vs. R. K. Scott!

The Case now Occupying the Attention of the Court of Common Pleas.

The Testimony.

Court of Common Pleas now occupied in trying the case of the State of Ohio vs. R. K. Scott, the case being called on Monday, and which will probably consume the best part of the week in trying. The facts and circumstances of the case which has placed the defendant upon trial for murder in the second degree are still fresh in the memory of the citizens of Napoleon, therefore we make no further reference other than the testimony which we give below will show. The difficulty apprehended in securing a jury was not realized, inasmuch as the necessary twelve were selected out of fifteen citizens, and but little time was consumed in filling the panel. The following compose the jury, which is made up of highly respected citizens of the county, the intelligence of which is far above the average jury: J. A. Holmes, Solomon Dwyer, Justin Vennings, Jason Woodward, Geo. W. Bowers, John Walcott, John Henricks, Levi Drenbach, Andrew Hall, A. C. Oakes, T. B. Emery, John R. Collins. The counsel for the prosecution is Martin Knapp, Prosecuting Attorney, Walter Stephenson and J. H. Tyler. For the defense, John Mcweeney, Chas. H. Scribner, J. M. Ritchie and Haag & Ragan. The case was called to the jury, on the part of the State by J. M. Knapp, and on the part of the defense by Hon. J. M. Ritchie, which consumed the balance of Monday, when court adjourned until 9:30 Tuesday morning. The jury was placed in the hands of the Sheriff to be kept together until the close of the trial, all communication with them being forbidden by the court.

PROSECUTION.

TESTIMONY OF G. A. KNEELAND.

Reside in Napoleon, for 1 year and 2 months; place of business Shoner's block; was acquainted with W. G. Drury, was in my employ at time of death; had known him for four years, first met him in Elmore, Ohio. His business was that of a druggist, was about 25 years old at time of his death. He was slightly shorter than myself, weight about 187 or 188 pounds, about 5 feet, 4 inches in height (shown photograph), perfectly correct picture of Drury, Drury held his head thrown back more than the ordinary run of people. He had been in my employ about three months (shown diagram of building in which Drury was killed, also diagram of stairs). Witness says diagrams are correct. I was present when diagrams were taken by Mr. Hildner next day. Know R. K. Scott, know Arkie Scott's son; saw him the 24th of Dec. on the street, and about 9 o'clock in the evening in my store with a number of others. He was sitting by the stove with several others. Didn't notice Gov. Scott at that evening. I went out and was gone probably a half hour; came back about 9:30, found young Scott there yet. He left the store about 10:30 o'clock in company with Drury, saying they were going to the Miller House to finish a game of pool they had been playing; Drury asked to go home half an hour. Next saw Drury about 20 minutes after 11 o'clock in front of Dwyer's meat market. I remarked that it had taken them some time to play that game of pool. Said he would like to take the young goos to bed with him; he was pretty drunk. I told him they might if they would go to bed; young Scott said he was afraid to go home in the condition he was, young Scott was evidently intoxicated; Drury was not intoxicated; talked to me as straight as he ever did. I went up to Bitter's block and crossed over and came back across the street to the store; when I went in Drury was lighting a lamp and young Scott was sitting in a chair, Drury said he was going right to bed; Scott didn't want to go. I saw them both go up stairs and heard them preparing for bed. Store room 80 feet long, two counters, one on each side, from front door to partition 12 feet; had double doors, one door open the other shut; going from front of store the left hand door was shut; 8 feet from door, one door open, sleeping room directly over back room; stairway goes up from back of room. At head of stairway there is a door that leads into a hallway, another door leading into a closet to the right of hallway. There was a bed in the northeast corner of room, diagonally across from room head of stairway, Drury occupied as a bed room. I remained in store room five minutes after they went up stairs and thought they were going to bed. The bed-room was not carpeted. Hall leads into another hall which goes to a side door towards the alley. I had not access to the hall.

At this point the testimony of Mr. Kneeland, the Prosecutor asked that the jury be allowed to view the premises. The Court granted the request, the jury to be in charge of the Sheriff; the Court appointed M. Donnelly to accompany the jury and point out the different objects on premises.

KNEELAND'S TESTIMONY RESUMED.

The changes made in the store-room are not material, the change has been taken down and the bed has been changed around since the night of the killing. Each window has four bracket lights, also a four light chandelier, and about the middle of the room or 40 feet from front door a light chandelier, and directly to the north burning, and also one light in the front chandelier was left burning by me. The lights would make it light enough to distinguish every thing in the store; when I came back after the killing the lights were still burning in the room as when I left; I think it was ten minutes or two when I went to the store second time; when I first saw the body it was lying just like in the diagram; I saw blood around the head; I saw he was dead and that is all I know about it. Body lying in nearly straight line with head towards front door. Near shirt and pants; walking on his back with feet upward; his legs were in my pocket, I looked the door when I left. Drury carried his keys in his pocket; found the keys in my front door in the morning which belonged to Mr. Drury. These keys were carried by Drury. First saw those keys at half past two in the morning. First went up to sleeping-room in the morning, found young Scott's vest with his watch in it, and also found several pieces of silver money lying on the floor. The bed had evidently been occupied; found also Mr. Drury's revolver under the pillow, my shot-gun was also in the room headed. Know it was Mr. Drury's pistol; never knew him to carry his pistol, but it was his general habit to leave it under the pillow. The hall-way had not been opened for two months to my knowledge; door to hall-way was closed on Saturday; hall-way very

dirty, when I first saw it there were no foot-prints that I saw, but afterwards saw foot prints made with the bare feet.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

Saw young Scott in my store about 9 o'clock; don't know whether he was there when I left the store; I was gone one half an hour, when I came back he was there and remained there until 10:30 o'clock; he was somewhat intoxicated at this time; didn't notice that he staggered as he went out. I closed store five minutes after 11 o'clock. Was called between one and two o'clock and went to the store and looked under the curtains and saw the lights burning as I had left them but saw no one around, I went back to my hotel and went to bed, and came back to store about ten minutes after 2 o'clock; there were several at the store when I got there, Koller, Reeder, Tanner and Cahill.

MRS. SARAH LIND.

Reside at Elmore, former name Drury, mother of Warren G. Drury, he was past 22 when he was killed; he was born at Albion, Mich., and moved to Bellevue when he was 12 years old, and then moved to Napoleon; had been in Napoleon from 5th of Sept., 1880. Had always been healthy; never dangerously sick in his life. (Shown photograph), very correct picture of him. He stood very erect in walking. At times had his head up. Photograph represents the manner in which he carried his head. Last saw him alive on Wednesday evening before Christmas; next saw him when he was brought home in his coffin on Sabbath. Body was taken to Bellevue and buried beside that of his father.

B. F. TANNER.

Reside about two miles from Napoleon. Know Gov. Scott; know Arkie Scott; was acquainted with Drury; was around Napoleon on the evening of the 24th of Dec.; was at Kneeland's drug store about 8:30 or 10 o'clock; Mr. Drury and Mr. Scott were there, and Arkie Scott; Arkie Scott; he came in after I had been there probably a half hour; probably this was about 10 o'clock; Arkie was there; Gov. handed a box to Arkie and told him to take it to his mother and do not open it; he remained only a few minutes, had no conversation that I remember of; Arkie was sitting behind the store when the Gov. came in; Arkie started immediately when he received the box and then came back in a short time; I remained in the store probably ten minutes after the Gov. left the store and went out on the street and returned and found Arkie there; I remained until Kneeland came to the store; Drury and Scott started out to shut up the pool; Drury asked Kneeland if he could go; it was after 11 o'clock when Kneeland closed; after closing the store I helped him to take some things over to the hotel and then came back to the drug store; we remained at the hotel probably twenty minutes; we came to the drug store and heard some one coming down street. Met Drury and Scott at the corner of the drug store; Arkie was pretty full; we remained there probably five minutes; after Drury and Scott went into the store, Kneeland looked in to see if they had gone to bed; we went in and Mr. Kneeland blew out a light; we then went towards the court house; we then went back to store and Kneeland, John Walcott and myself went into the store together; I think there was a light burning in the back part of the store; I saw him pretty sure the chandelier; was light enough to distinguish objects in the store; Kneeland went home and Walcott and I went out on the street. We heard a noise in the hallway on the alley; I went to Mr. Allen's and staid awhile, and then went over to Bitter's corner; there was a crowd on the corner; Hollister, Facer and Halter were there; they seemed to be quarreling about something; Hollister said he could lick Joe Stout or any of his friends. Saw Gov. 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